

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Examiner:	SHIN, DANA H
Title:	BIOINFORMATICALLY DETECTABLE GROUP OF VIRAL REGULATORY GENES AND USES THEREOF

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final office action mailed on September 17, 2007 (the "Office Action") and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and the requisite fee of \$810.00 under §1.17(e), which provides an opportunity to withdraw the finality of any office action and to enter and consider this submission.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper; however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above reference number.

**Remarks** begin at page 2.